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Organized 1889; capital, \$1,000,000; spindles, 85,000; looms, 2,600. The annual dividend is 10 per cent, payable January and July. Power, steam; product, print cloth and sheeting. W. S. Montgomery is president and treasurer.

TUCAPAU MILLS.

Organized 1894; Dr. J. F. Cleveland president; T. E. Moore, treasurer. Common stock \$269,000; preferred, \$198,000; common dividend, 8 per cent; preferred, 6 per cent; payable January and July. Spindles 64,744 and 1,696 automatic looms. The product is print cloths. The mill company operates a general supply store. Miss Bernice Woods and assistants have charge of the schools. Baptists, Methodists and Presbyterians have churches.

VALLEY FALLS MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

A factory was originally built at Valley Falls, on Lawson's Fork, five miles north of Spartanburg, by James McMakin. It was afterward operated by Henry White and William Finger. Subsequently F. H. Casn bought the property. About 1892 it was destroyed by a stroke of lightning and in 1899 the present organization was formed. The capital stock is \$75,000 with bonds amounting to \$40,000. They have 7,000 spindles and 200 looms. W. P. Roof is president of the company. They operate a general store and Noland & Gossett also do a mercantile business. The post-office is Lolo.

VICTOR MANUFACTURING CO.

Organized at Greer, 1895, on the Spartanburg-Greenville line. Capital 250 plain. The product is sheeting. \$35,000 common stock and \$65,000 preferred. Spindles, 8,322; looms, \$500,000 common and \$200,000 preferred. L. W. Parker is president and treasurer. Spindles, 52,800; looms, 1,347, automatic. Common dividend 8 per cent; preferred 6 per cent. It is operated by steam and the product is print cloths and fancy dress goods. The town of Greer has a population of about 1,500, and is a flourishing trade center, with splendid schools, churches and many substantial business houses and attractive residences.

WOODRUFF COTTON MILLS.

Was organized 1900. Aug. W. Smith is president and treasurer. Capital \$350,000, dividend 6 per cent, semi-annually. The product is shade cloth and print cloths; Spindles, 37,000; automatic looms, 750; Power, steam.

WHITNEY MANUFACTURING CO.

Organized 1898. John B. Cleveland president and treasurer. Capital \$350,000; annual dividend, 8 per cent, payable January and July. Spindles, 29,572; looms (plain) 109; automatic, 640; power, steam and water; product, standard sheeting. The mill is located on Lawson's Fork, three miles from Spartanburg. The community has a population of 400. The mills company operates a general supply store and Sloan Bros. also have a mercantile business there. The schools are in charge of Misses Maggie Arnold and Sue Goodlett. Methodists and Baptists have churches.

JORDAN MANUFACTURING CO.

This mill for the manufacture of towels and quilts, was organized in 1905, with \$5,000 capital. E. C. Rogers is president and treasurer. It is located near Wellford, on the Southern, and operates 36 looms.

TYGER COTTON MILL.

This mill is located on Tyger river at Fairmont, 10 miles from Spartanburg. It succeeded the Fairmont Manufacturing Co., in 1902. Capital C. P. Matthews is president and J.

B. Lee is treasurer. The Baptists and Methodists have churches and Miss Leila Collins teaches the school. The mill company operates a general store.

THE COTTON SEED OIL MILL INDUSTRY.

Spartanburg Leads Again; More Mills than Any Other County in the United States for the Manufacture of Cotton Seed Products.

A few years ago—easily within the recollection of the present generation—cotton seed were considered a waste product. Huge piles could be seen around any gin-house going to town—cotton seed was considered a sufficient moment to be sheltered from the rain, and hence were generally left to rot.

But the time came when their fertilizing qualities were recognized and thrifty farmers housed them and in the spring composted them with stable manure and thus cut down the fertilizer account. It is only in recent years that even this practice has been discontinued and the material so lately considered waste, is now too valuable to be used as a fertilizer until it has gone through a manufacturing process and the oil and linters taken away, giving only the fertilizer properties back to the soil, or the food products saved for cattle.

RAPID DEVELOPMENT.

No single industry in the United States has made more rapid progress and development than the cotton seed oil mills. They are strung out the entire length of the cotton belt and far beyond. Many gigantic industrial plants are engaged in refining the crude products which these local mills turn out and cotton seed in one form or another has come to be a most important item in domestic economy. It is not strange that Spartanburg County, which has always been foremost in grasping new ideas and in catching on to the possibilities of turning her resources to profit, should be foremost in this industry.

ADVANTAGE OF COMPETITION.

There are eleven separate and distinct cotton seed oil mills in the county and new ones are being built every year, wherever there is enough seed in a given locality to keep the mill running as long as four months. The fact that no two of these mills are located in any one town and that no two are owned directly or indirectly by the same parties, gives the farmers the double advantage of the greatest possible competition in the matter of selling seed and also in buying fertilizers.

"IT IS GOLDEN."

Many years ago, the lamented Henry Grady made use of this expression: "It is golden from the instant it puts forth its tiny shoot. Its fibre is current in every bank." The full truth of this even he did not then fully appreciate, nor is it certain that all has yet been gotten from the cotton plant. One of the great developments of the next few years will be the manufacture of paper from the cotton stalks that now have to be laboriously knoeked down at the end of the season to make way for the incoming plowman.

LOCATION OF THE MILLS.

The largest mill in the county is located in the city of Spartanburg on the C. & W. C. Railroad. It is the Spartanburg Oil Mill, owned and operated by the Southern Oil Company of Atlanta, Augusta, Savannah and New York. G. S. Fitzsimmons who has had many years experience in the business, is president of the mill and manages it with great ability, giving satisfaction to the customers and employees. P. D. Allen, also

a man who knows his business, is superintendent. This factory has a capacity of 30 to 35 tons daily. The product is oil, meal and linters. The yield of a ton of seed is from 44 to 48 gallons of oil and 35 to 40 pounds of linters, besides the principal product, cotton seed meal. This is used for making fertilizers and feeding cattle. The price just now is \$28 per ton, which is higher than it has been in years, the price last year averaging \$25. The linters, used in making mattresses chiefly, sells for 3-4 cents per pound. The price of seed last year averaged 85 cents per hundred pounds.

MILLS IN THE COUNTY.

Cowpens Cotton Oil Co., located at Cowpens on the Southern Railroad, 11 miles north from the city, J. V. Tanburg and Asheville road, at Tam Brown, is president.

Cross Anchor Oil Co., located at Cross Anchor, five miles from Woodruff, and about the same distance from Enoree; M. C. Poole, president.

Tyger Shoals Milling Co., on Tyger river near Duncan; A. B. Groce, president.

Fairforest Oil Mill, Fairforest; Ed. Foster, president.

Greer Cotton Seed Oil and Fertilizer Co., Greer; D. D. Davenport, president.

Pauline Oil Mill, Pauline, on the Glenn Springs Railroad; A. O. Simpson, president.

Rich Hill Oil Mill Co., ——— Todd, president. Rich is on the Spartanburg and Columbia road.

Fingerville Oil Mill, at Fingerville; J. B. Liles, president.

Woodruff Cotton Seed Oil Co., Woodruff, on the C. & W. C. railroad; Dr. G. F. Irby, president.

The product of these mills except the oil and linters is nearly all disposed of locally, very little meal or hulls being shipped away. The demand for meal and hulls for stock food is so great that at times all these mills are taxed to their utmost capacity. The oil is shipped to refineries, where it is prepared for food products, soaps, lubricating oils, etc.

PIEDMONT CIGAR FACTORY.

About five years ago, J. H. Fuhrly left the riggers of the winters in the northwest and settled in Spartanburg for the manufacture of cigars. He is a skilled workman and while he came to this city a total stranger and unfamiliar with the South, he was so charmed with the climate and the people that he has been a standing advertisement with his home people in behalf of the "Sunny South." He is today thoroughly imbued with the "Spartan Spirit" and is building up a splendid business in his line, being unable to supply the local demand for cigars. He uses both Havana and domestic tobacco and makes from 10,000 to 20,000 monthly. He is himself a skilled workman and employs only the best of the journeymen cigar makers. "Special Offer" and "Little Victor" are his favorite brands. The Piedmont Cigar Factory is located in the Spartan Inn building.

THE COUNTY PARISH.

"The poor you have with you always," and no matter how many the advantages, how great the prosperity there will always be found those who are unfortunate, who cannot take advantages of circumstances, who must needs be a charge upon their fellow men. Hence it is that almshouses for the care of the worthy needy are provided. The Spartanburg County parish comprises nearly 500 acres of excellent land four miles northwest of the city. There is a neat and substantial dwelling for the superintendent and five neat cottages for the inmates, a splendid hospital for the sick, a neat little church where services are held almost every Sunday and all necessary outhouses for storing food and housing stock. S. M. Thomas has been in charge of the place for three years and he and his estimable wife have done a noble work for the welfare of the old people who are sent there to live out their allotted time in comparative comfort. There are now 44 inmates, many being blind or crippled, and all unable to do any manual work. The hospital is provided with all necessary appliances, but fortunately has no inmates at present. The institution is connected with Spartanburg by telephone. In case of sickness Dr. Bunch, the county physician, attends the patients. Rev. L. C. Ezell, of Woodruff, frequently holds services in the church and when he cannot come neighbors often gather for a song service or prayermeeting. All of the inmates appear to be contented and as cheerful as circumstances will permit.

FIELDER & BROWN.

Wholesale grocers. This firm was originally established four years ago. This is the largest wholesale house of this nature in the city and surrounding country, and one whose trade is becoming greater every year. The members of the firm are John Fielder and J. F. Brown, both of whom are men of fine business ability and leaders among the business firms of Spartanburg. They carry



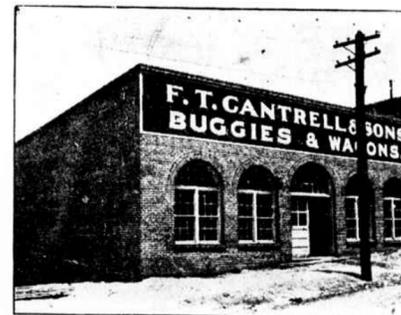
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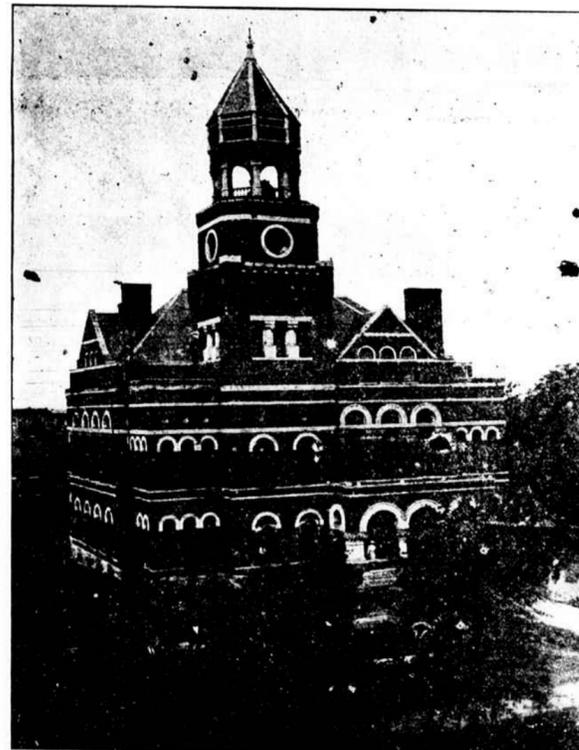
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THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE.



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